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Mr. President.

SENATOR JANSSEN: The bill passes. Senator Schimek, to open on LB 228A.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I did talk about this a little bit already, but the A bill on this is for \$20,000 for fiscal year 2003 and '04, and \$20,000 from...for 2004 and '05. And this would come from the Secretary of State's Administration Cash Fund, so we are not talking about General Funds. Thank you.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Any discussion? Seeing none, do you want to close on the A bill? Senator Schimek waives off closing. Those...all in favor of LB 228A vote aye, if you are for it, and nay if you're opposed to it. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on advancement of the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR JANSSEN: The bill is advanced. Next item, Madam Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, LB 418 introduced by Speaker Bromm at the request of the Governor. (Read title.) The bill was introduced, read first time on January 15 and referred to the Business and Labor Committee. I do have committee amendments, Mr. President. (AM0224, Legislative Journal page 450.)

SENATOR JANSSEN: Speaker Bromm, to open.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. I will give a brief opening on LB 418, and then I would like to offer the rest of the opening time to Senator Connealy. When we introduced the bill in Business and Labor, Senator Connealy introduced another bill which, basically, dealt with the same subject matter but in a little different way, LB 308. And the committee amendment I think will become the bill and incorporates Senator Connealy's concepts, and I will give the overall idea of the Governor's suggestion here. It proposes to remove the sunset date for the